

SOCIETY

By Bertha Hempstead

Mrs. R. J. Parker and her house guest, Mrs. R. R. Nickerson of Maine, were at home informally Friday afternoon to a group of Mrs. Nickerson's close friends in Topeka. The Nickerson family formerly lived in Topeka, when the late Mr. Nickerson was general manager of the Santa Fe. Those who called yesterday were some of the Topeka women who were friends of Mrs. Nickerson when she made her home in this city.

One goes to the dances this winter and concludes that the prettiest girls live in Topeka, Kansas, U. S. A. The "Tivoli" and the "Varsity" club dances have brought out a crowd of young girls that have nothing to such for in the matter of good looks nor good clothes either, that to prosperous fathers and doting mothers. To be sure they tell us "beauty is only skin deep," but in the words of a joke in the High School World, "that is deep enough, thanks—I'm no cannibal."



Miss Mary Paxton.

One of these belles of a few years hence is Miss Mary Paxton, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Paxton, of the pretty New England Colonial house in Western avenue. At the parties everybody comments on her good looks. Though she is still in high school, she goes out socially a good deal, as the other girls of her set are doing. She has pretty brown eyes and dark hair, a tall, slender figure, and a wild rose complexion that belongs to health and girlish vigor. At one of the masque balls of the winter, she wore the costume of a red-cross nurse, and she certainly was "topping," as the English say. The Paxtons have a ball room in their new house, where the young set foregather for numerous little dancing parties under the maternal guardianship.

Mr. and Mrs. Paxton and Miss Paxton are in Kansas City today, and will attend the Russian Ballet tonight. They are visiting relatives who are in Kansas City for a sort of family reunion. Mr. and Mrs. Paxton and Miss Paxton, make up the family party.

The Phi Delta men of Washburn college gave a theater party Friday night at the chapter house. They installed a moving picture machine for the evening, and gave a five reel movie. They showed some lantern slides, and gave a vaudeville turn. The room in which the show was held was fitted out with fire exits and fire escapes, and a "roast" was arranged for those "ho preferred balcony seats." Some of the freshmen Phi Deltas dressed in white suits and were the popcorn and peanut vendors for the performance.

The company included: Mr. and Mrs. DeBakleer, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Carruth, Miss Jessie Dean, Miss Dorothy Eppert, Miss Dorothy Lytle, Miss Morrison, Miss Isabel Savan, Miss Lurene Creary, Miss Pansy Benton, Miss Marjorie Herick, Miss Clara Beaver, Miss May Beaver, Miss Ruth Koester, Miss Erna Zuber, Miss Gracie Woods, Miss Alice Hughes, Miss Juliette Brown, Miss Ruth Graham, Miss Sue Louise Bell, Miss Esther Lauterbach, Mr. Seton Hamill, Mr. Don Heath, Mr. Harry Champney, Mr. Robert Hasty, Mr. John Hayes, Mr. Frank Ripley, Mr. Arthur Champney, Mr. Robert Robert Hasty, Mr. Tracy Leeson, Mr. Major Glueck, Mr. Fred Beirholm, Mr. Ed. Schindler, Mr. Frank Peers, Mr. Harwood Benton, Mr. Walter Slagle, Mr. Glen Elbe, Mr. Herbert Heyn and Mr. Ed Seely. The top arm boys were: Mr. John Erickson, Mr. Arch Jarrell, Mr. Glen Hussy and Mr. Harry Welby.

The Beta girls of Washburn college will have the third of a series of buffet suppers Monday night at the chapter house for their fraternity men friends.

Mr. Kelsey Petro gave a bridge party Friday night at his home in Topeka avenue. Those who played were: Miss Grace Dana, Miss Corinne

Looking Backward In State Journal Society Column

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY

The Topeka Whist club met with Mr. Arthur Murphy last night. The next meeting will be with Mr. E. L. Copeland. Messrs. Black and Pounds lead in the score now.

Mrs. and Mrs. Charles Eagle entertained the M. N. high five club. Mrs. Lockton of Atchison played in the hostess' place. Mr. Court Flower was also a guest of the club. The next meeting will be with Mr. and Mrs. McConnell. The members are Mr. and Mrs. Charles Eagle, Mr. and Mrs. George Eagle, Dr. and Mrs. Chester B. Reed, Mr. and Mrs. David J. Harding, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Garvey, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Sutton and Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Connelly.

Mrs. W. E. Sterne entertained the En Regle Whist club Tuesday. Mrs. Frank Crane substituted for Mrs. Sterne. Mrs. E. A. Prescott for Mrs. George W. Veale, and Mrs. Webb for Mrs. C. P. Reed.

Mrs. F. I. Bonebrake is issuing invitations for thimble parties next Tuesday and Wednesday. The engagement of Miss Edith Truher, the daughter of the late T. Dwight Thatcher, and Mr. Amos D. Plumb, of Emporia, son of late Senator Plumb, is announced.

Miss Margaret Mulvane entertained the Duplicate Whist club last evening. Mrs. John Shelton, Miss Mabel Pound, Miss Glenn Cross and Mrs. Speed Hughes played at the guest table. Mrs. Eugene Quinton will be the next hostess to the club.

Mr. Percy Hemus is in the city in advance of the Alpine Concert company with which he is singing. Mr. George R. Peck's children, Minnie and Charley, were in the city a short time yesterday on their way home from Texas. They were accompanied by Mr. Ed Nettles.

Ripley, Miss Mary Weightman, Miss Beatrice Rush, Miss Faye Baunour, Miss Nina Nicholas, Mr. Glen Logan, Mr. Edwin Menninger, Mr. Knowlton Guegler, Mr. William Tomlinson, Mr. Kenneth Kearns and Mr. Kelsey Petro.

New members of the Washburn Dramatic society are Miss Mary Weightman, Miss Audrey Meyers of Seneca and Mr. Martin Porter of Hutchinson. A tryout was given at the home of Miss Alice Hughes, and a farce was presented by candidates for membership before the active members.

Kansas has reached that stage in her history, when she is turning her head for the backward look. Societies are organized to honor her pioneers and to keep records of their experiences. One of the Topeka pioneers had an anniversary celebration.



Madame Sigrid Lunde Southern.

Madame Southern has been in Topeka for ten or a dozen years perhaps. During that time, up until last winter, she was at the head of the voice department of Washburn college. Since retiring from the Washburn faculty, she has conducted a private studio for vocal instruction. She has a pleasant and artistically arranged bungalow at Fifteenth and College avenues, where she has been making her home for several years.

Madame Southern is a woman of strong and interesting personality, and has been drawn around her a circle of friends who are unflinchingly enthusiastic in her praise, and who deeply regret her decision to make her home elsewhere.

Miss Esther M. Clark, of Lawrence, will come to Topeka Monday to be a guest at a luncheon of the Monday Tourist club, at the home of Mrs. C. E. Nell, in Taylor street. She has been asked to read some of her poems at the meeting. Mrs. Charles Gardner will play the violin, and Mrs. Maynard will make an address. She is in Topeka with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. O. White, spending the time of her furlough from mission service in Turkey.

Miss Chick will be guest of honor at a small dinner party which Mrs. Nell will give for her Monday evening. The guests will be a few of her intimate friends in Topeka.

Some of the students of French at the College of the Sisters of Bethany gave a French play Friday night at the school. A good sized audience attended and approved the performance. The play was in three acts, and was given entirely in French, which the girls spoke exceedingly well. The role of the heroine was played by Miss Evelyn White, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. O. White, of Topeka. Miss Maude Webb took the part of the hero; Miss Nora Hardesty took one of the male roles; Miss Mildred Luck and Miss Gretchen Volland were maids, and the other members of the cast were Miss Mervin Turrell, Miss Dorothy Hunley and Miss Helen Silver. The instructor, Miss Wilhelm Harris, also took a part in the production.

The play was in three acts. The scene for the first two acts was a palm room, and the last was a drawing room scene.

The play was given under the direction of Miss Harris, instructor in French, and Miss Lunde, head of the Dramatic Art department.

IF YOU ARE TO BE FASHIONABLE YOU MUST BE FAT OR PLUMP



Rotundity is the new idea in styles this spring. The young lady who would appear in the mode must acquire somehow, somewhere, a measure of corpulence. All of the new styles are so designed as to heighten and enhance the graces of a plump, well-nourished figure. While this may dishearten those who will find it hard to be fat, it will delight more who in the past have found it harder to be thin.

gent invitation to the members of the Topeka Federation of Women to attend a lecture to be given at the Commercial club rooms Monday afternoon at one o'clock by Dr. Charles M. Sheldon. His subject will concern some phase of the civic question.

News that brings regret to a large circle of Topeka people is that Madame Sigrid Lunde Southern is to leave Topeka for an indefinite time to take up her residence in the east. She will be in New York and Boston, where she has relatives and a great many friends, and will remain there a year at least, and perhaps longer, depending on how well she likes it after a long residence in the west.

The Music Study club met with Mrs. F. A. Wilson, in Mulvane street. The program was as follows: Symphony in D minor, first movement, Caesar Franck; Mrs. Harry Tasker and Miss Ethel Grant; The Gathered Rose, Caesar Franck; Mrs. C. E. Bair; Souvenances, Caesar Franck; Mrs. H. B. Smyth; Chaconne, Dubois; Chorale Scherzo.

Mrs. W. H. Bowley, David Thon Brulian, Miss Lulu McCabe, Symphony, D minor, second movement, Caesar Franck; Mrs. Tasker and Miss Grant; Pastoral, D minor, first movement, Brahms; Hungarian Dance, Brahms; Miss Lydia Emery.

Cards have been received in Topeka announcing the engagement of Miss Ruth Inez McLucas, of Meriden, to Paul Moser, of Meriden, Conn. Miss McLucas is the daughter of Mr. Grant McLucas, a well known lumberman, and Mr. Moser is the son of Mr. J. W. C. Herron home, 1823 Mulvane street.

The marriage will be solemnized sometime in June.

Mr. T. L. King was given a surprise party by Mrs. King, to celebrate his birthday anniversary. The guests were: Mr. and Mrs. Harry Davidson, Mr. and Mrs. George Hayden, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Charles McKirahan, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Davis, Mrs. Charles Skinner, Miss Hazel Bieden, Miss Eva Smith and Mr. A. C. Bartel.

A special program of sacred music will be given by the Ladies' Glee club, Wednesday, March 8. Miss Helen Estey, of 915 Harrison street, will be hostess. The cantata, "Hear My Prayers," by Mendelssohn, will be sung by Miss Helen Hogeboom, Mrs. George H. Allen, Mrs. Karl Rankin and Mrs. Robert Shoemaker. All the members of the club are privileged to invite one guest.

Miss Carol Brewster gave a party for the following guests at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Brewster: Miss Margaret Connors, Miss Thelma Perry, Miss Agnes Williamson, Miss Irene Mission, Miss Ruth Freusser, Miss Mary Tasker, Miss Sara Dwyer, Miss Edry Bullis, Miss Helen McCahan, Miss Helen Claypool, Miss Isabel Sutherland, Miss Mary W. White, Miss Edith White, Miss Althea Wiedie, Miss Dorothy Reddie, Miss Carol Brewster, Miss Elma Stewart, Mr. Oren Millison, Mr. Charles Wright, Mr. Vincent, Mr. Charles Vincent, Mr. James Liggett, Mr. Ray White, Mr. Robert Cocker, Mr. Howard, Mr. George Lang, Mr. Walter Deard, Mr. Putnam Price, Mr. Kenneth Price.

Mr. and Mrs. David Crites of Owatonna, Kan., announce the engagement of their daughter, Grace Christine Wieland, to Mr. Ben Wright Graves of Stockton, Kan. The wedding will take place soon, Mr. and Mrs. Graves will be at home after April 1 at Stockton.

Miss Wieland and Mr. Graves are known to many Topekan, who will be interested in the news of their engagement.

The women of Central Congregational church have invited as their next guests for next Wednesday evening the women of the First Congregational church, the North Topeka Congregational church and the Seabrook church. Mr. A. W. Vincent, entitled "A Turkish Evening in Bitlis," will be given for the entertainment of the guests. Turkish costumes will be displayed, and Turkish refreshments will be served after the style of the Turks.

The following high school girls had a party at the Society the afternoon: Adeline Spickerman, Elizabeth Morrison, Grace Dana, Faye Warring, Jane Lanham, Louise Sult, Gladys for the troupe, Mackenzie, Bernice Mackenzie, Olive Knox, Alice Sullivan, Teresa Cooper, Alice Young, Ruth Smith, Louise Turner, Lucile Baughman, Orpha Baughman, Loretta Carrier, Frances Allison, Lois Allison, Inez Horner, Sarah Dwyer, Helen McCahan, Marie Ferrin, Helen Leeper, Dorothy Leeper, Lila Martin, Claudia Capps, Nellie Thompson, Mildred Stanton, Ruth Zimmerman, Marion

BETTER THAN SPANKING. Spanking does not cure children of bed-wetting. There is a constitutional cause for the trouble. Mackenzie, Bernice Mackenzie, Olive Knox, Alice Sullivan, Teresa Cooper, Alice Young, Ruth Smith, Louise Turner, Lucile Baughman, Orpha Baughman, Loretta Carrier, Frances Allison, Lois Allison, Inez Horner, Sarah Dwyer, Helen McCahan, Marie Ferrin, Helen Leeper, Dorothy Leeper, Lila Martin, Claudia Capps, Nellie Thompson, Mildred Stanton, Ruth Zimmerman, Marion

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Summers, Mr. and Mrs. Wiley, Mr. and Mrs. Claud Putnam and Mr. and Mrs. Campbell.

CLUB NOTES.
The Thursday Study club will meet Thursday, March 9, with Mrs. C. A. Kline, 1921 Buchanan street. "The Jews in Modern Europe" will be the subject of a paper to be read by Mrs. C. T. Lawrence; Mrs. W. D. Rosa will review "The Melting Pot," music will be furnished by Mrs. R. J. Wilson of El Paso, Texas, and Miss Gladys Dougherty.

The N. N. S. club will meet next Tuesday with Mrs. E. F. Strain, 1421 Clay street.

The Junior Atlantic club will meet Tuesday of next week with Mrs. Matt Macfarren, 834 Fillmore street.

"St. Elizabeth's society will meet with Mrs. T. E. Minahan, 1215 West Eleventh street, Monday, instead of Wednesday afternoon. As the regular meeting day falls on Ash Wednesday, the date is changed to March 6.

The Nautilus club will meet with Mrs. F. E. Vest Tuesday, March 7. The subject for the afternoon will be "Appreciation of Sculpture," and Mrs. L. D. Whitmore will be in charge of the program. Mr. Merrill Gage has been selected to address the meeting on the subject of "Sculpture." The program is a social affair, and ten or fifteen guests have been asked.

The Vespuccian club will meet with Mrs. E. E. Brookings, 1282 College avenue, Thursday, Mrs. E. V. King will talk on "Africa."

The Day Nursery club will meet Thursday with Mrs. H. H. St. John and Mrs. F. L. Baker, Mrs. Baker's home, 1600 Western avenue.

The Good Government club meeting for Thursday of next week has been postponed until Thursday, March 16, on account of the cooking school, which will be in session on the regular day of the meeting. The meeting for March 16 is the last of the club year, and an election of officers will be held.

The Topeka Central Union will hold a local institute for Miss Elsie White Monday. The morning session will begin at ten o'clock, which will include the business meeting. Miss Lacey of the Public Health Nursing association, will make an address on the observance of baby week. In the afternoon a program and addresses will be given. The public is invited.

HIGHLAND PARK NOTES
Mrs. T. J. Parrish and Miss Jessie Parrish visited with Mrs. W. H. Doorley of 227 Court and avenue, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Manshardt have returned from Manhattan, where they were visiting their son, Mr. Thomas Manshardt, and his family.

Mrs. W. R. Lott and Mrs. H. N. Mills will be hostesses of the Chalfont club, Thursday, March 9 at the home of Mrs. Scott.

Mr. Elmer Davis, of Johnston, Pa., visited with his sister, Mrs. A. E. Strauss and family last week.

Mrs. William Banta of Overbrook, is spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Banta and family.

There will be regular services at the church Sunday, Sunday school at 10 o'clock, preaching services at 11 o'clock by Mr. Thomas Manshardt of Manhattan, assisted by the R. H. Y. M. C. A. quartet. Evening service at 7:30 by Rev. C. W. Marlin.

Mrs. C. E. Banta, the guest Monday of Mrs. Lloyd Hammack of Scotland avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Boest entertained last Monday evening. Misses Beatrice and Pansy Anttrim, Miss Hazel Boast and Mr. William Boast of North Topeka.

The weekly prayer meeting will be held Thursday evening, March 9 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Stevenson, Twenty-fourth and Virginia avenues.

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